

## House Resolution No. 1214

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the City of Callao, Missouri, which is celebrating its One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary; and

**Whereas**, laid out along the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad right-of-way in 1858, by Samuel Kem and Samuel Humphrey, Callao is situated on State High 36 in Macon County midway between the east and west forks of the Chariton River; and

**Whereas**, Callao acquired its name when a railroad man named Kinney was blindfolded, a globe was spun, and his finger landed on Callao, Peru, thus being named after the South American city; and

**Whereas**, Callao received its charter as a village on June 6, 1889; was later incorporated as a fourth-class city in 1915; and boasted a population of 542 in 1920; and

**Whereas**, during its history, Callao has been the home to six churches, numerous factories and mills, blacksmith and livery barns, restaurants, grocery and general merchandise stores, drug and hardware stores, service stations and garages, hotels, a motel, two banks, five newspapers, physicians' and dentists' offices, funeral homes, sale barns, lumber yards, bakeries, millinery and dry goods shops, farm produce stores, and automobile and farm implement dealers serving the townsfolk; and

**Whereas**, Callao's major industry has always been agriculture from its early days as a booming tobacco center to today's major crops of corn and soybeans, in addition to livestock and processing facilities; and

**Whereas**, Callao's history is much like that of other Midwest towns, filled with both exciting and discouraging events and citizens who have forged on through its many adversities, making it a better place in which to live and call home:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the leaders and residents of the City of Callao upon this very special anniversary event; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Callao, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Tom Shively  
District No. 8

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 1214, adopted March 25, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker